



Port tells port crews to resume all work

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

AVIV. — The regional labour union here yesterday ordered the Asdod port workers to resume their go-slow strike immediately. Responding to the request of the Israel Ports Authority, the union's executive director, David Mordechai, called on the Asdod port workers to return to work.

The chairman of the Asdod port workers' committee returned to the port immediately after the hearing. He told the stevedores to step up the pace of loading produce. But port officials claimed the stevedores are not yet working at the pace they need to earn premiums.

Meanwhile, El Al announced yesterday that the Jerusalem District Court had yesterday given permission to fly agricultural produce to European markets throughout the week, including Thursday. A government decision grounded El Al on Saturdays as part of a coalition agreement. Judge Mordechai said the workers had agreed to the required 15-day strike. He also ordered representation of the IPA and the workers to appear in court in 10 days for a continuation of the hearing. Meetings of the Asdod port workers have been called for this morning.

But Agrexco, the agricultural produce export company, is taking chances and plans to go ahead with a massive airlift. It has modified the idea of flying the produce to Cyprus and shipping it on there to Europe, and now plans to fly produce directly to Europe, mainly to Cologne.

Dr. Amotz Amidat, Agrexco's director, said.

EC summit ails over farm prices

THENS (AP). — After a three-day summit, leaders of Western Europe's Common Market yesterday completely failed to resolve a financial crisis threatening the 10-nation trading bloc.

It was not the end of the 25-year-old European Economic Community, but its leaders and analysts predicted grave monetary trouble in the months ahead. Political tensions also appeared likely.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl called the failure "a bitter setback" and French President Francois Mitterrand said Europe now knows in clarity that it is in crisis.

An indication of the seriousness of the crisis was that for the first time a summit ended without a communique or a declaration of any sort. The summit foundered in large part on the question of subsidies, or support prices, for agricultural products which are in growing surplus in the 10-nation area with a population of 270 million. The subsidies absorb two-thirds of total market spending of about 25 billion ECUs (\$21 billion) annually.

The summit failure was a particularly severe blow for British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher who had pressed for years for more financial discipline in the trading group and for a more equitable, long-term cost sharing programme.

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Passers-by look at the remains of the buses, following yesterday's bomb blast in Jerusalem.

Vote delayed on tax bills in Knesset

By ARVIE RUBINSTEIN
Post Knesset Reporter

Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orgad yesterday presented two tax bills to the Knesset, as part of his programme to rescue the economy. Both are temporary measures that will expire on March 31, 1985.

The first levies a 10 per cent surtax on any income of an individual over IS3.3 million a year (IS275,000 a month) at September 1983 prices. The second applies to persons with up to three children, whose marginal income tax is 50 per cent or more (i.e., whose monthly income is over IS100,000).

Such persons will be taxed on the allowances paid by the National Insurance Institute for their first two children. At the conclusion of his speech, Cohen-Orgad announced that since he was due to meet later in the evening with industrialists on the profitability of exports, he would be unable to reply to the debate last night.

Alignment members suspected that Cohen-Orgad was deferring his reply because he knew that he didn't have the votes to carry the bill.

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Orgad predicts controlled recession

By AVI TEMKIN
Post Economic Reporter

The economy will have to undergo a period of "controlled recession" before growth is recovered, Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orgad yesterday told the 35th convention of the Federation of Contractors and Builders.

Cohen-Orgad forecast a 10 per cent decrease in imports in the coming year without any further administrative limitations being imposed. The Treasury, he stressed, wants to reduce the balance of payments deficit by some \$800 million during 1984 and by an additional \$1 billion a year after. "This will entail a reduction of some 12 per cent in standards of living," he said.

The minister said that the building sector will have to adjust to new developments in the economy and cut back activities. He called on the contractors to shift some of their efforts abroad. "There is no difference between foreign currency from industrial exports and from payments to contractors for building outside Israel," he said.

Arafat and men due for evacuation soon

TRIPOLI, Lebanon (AP). — PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat and some 4,000 of his loyalists will leave for Tunisia and North Yemen aboard Greek ships expected to arrive in this port city "within a few days," a senior Arafat aide said yesterday.

Khalik Wazir, "Ahu Jibad" Arafat's military chief, said in an interview that Arafat had formally asked the Greek government for help in evacuating the terrorists from the city and Greece has agreed.

Wazir said, "More than 4,000 will be evacuated. The chairman's first stop will be Tunis. Some fighters will go with him, others to North Yemen, and from there they will be distributed to all places where the forces of the (Palestinian) revolution are present."

He said the ships would fly "both the flags of the Lebanese government and the United Nations."

Wazir said the terrorists would be leaving with their weapons.

He said Lebanese police and security forces and units from Lebanese militias in this city "will provide security for the gathering fighters before their departure and will be in charge of security in the camps after the evacuation."

He was referring to the Nahr el-Bared and Baddawi Palestinian refugee camps outside Tripoli.

The two camps, home for some 45,000 refugees, fell to elements hostile to Arafat during heavy fighting that preceded a Saudi-mediated ceasefire on November 25.

Wazir said the agreement on the security force was reached after Syria had rejected Arafat's suggestion that Arab observers, preferably Saudi Arabian, oversee the evacuation.

Wazir said the PLO chairman would hold Palestinian leadership meetings on arrival in Tunis "to map out the political strategy for the coming period after the evacuation from Tripoli," Arafat's last.

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Heavy machine-gun fire directed at marine base

BEIRUT (AP). — The U.S. Marine base came under heavy machine-gun fire at Beirut's international airport yesterday and the marines responded with tank guns and anti-tank weapons, a marine spokesman reported.

It was the first attack on the American contingent of the multinational peacekeeping force since an artillery barrage on Sunday killed eight marines and wounded two others.

"At 5 p.m. today our eastern perimeter received heavy, concentrated machine-gun fire from a fortified position," a marine spokesman said.

"The marines responded, and the fighting ceased. It stopped immediately. There were no casualties," he said. The spokesman added that the sundown attack was in the same area where the marines were hit on Sunday.

The marines have already refitted and again manned Checkpoint 76 where they were fatally hit two days ago.

The flare-up at the marine base came about two hours after U.S. jets were reported to have flown fresh reconnaissance sorties over Syrian positions in Lebanon's central mountains. Local radio stations said the jets drew no ground

fire despite Syrian threats always to shoot at intruding American warplanes.

Five formations of F-14 Tomcat interceptors, each made up of two jets, streaked over Beirut at mid-afternoon and headed in the direction of the mountains northeast of Beirut where Syrian gunners on Sunday downed two American fighter-bombers, witnesses said.

State-run Beirut Radio and privately-owned radio stations said the jets flew reconnaissance missions over Beirut, the hills overlooking the U.S. marine base and the central Lebanese mountains.

The new flights came a day after Syrian Defence Minister Lt. Gen. Mustafa Tlass said in Damascus that "our armed forces will always confront any foreign aircraft that flies over our positions."

Beirut's Moslem sector was largely closed by a strike called yesterday to protest against a car bomb explosion that wrecked a nine-storey apartment building on Monday, killing 16 people and injuring more than 100.

A group calling itself "The Front for the Liberation of Lebanon from Foreigners" claimed responsibility for the bombing in West Beirut's residential neighbourhood of Tarik Jedida.

4 dead, 43 injured in Jerusalem bus explosion

Hospitals' disaster units work smoothly after bombing

By ROBERT ROSENBERG
and MICHAEL EILAN
Jerusalem Post Reporters

In the worst bombing in the capital since 1978, a bomb planted in a Jerusalem bus yesterday killed four people and wounded another 43. Police arrested 56 Arabs, of whom all but four were released within a few hours.

Nurit Pollack, 14, Eti Adi, 11, and Yehuda Kaplan, 77, were killed when the 12:30 p.m. explosion tore apart a crowded number 18 Egged bus as it was stopped at a red light on Sderot Herzl not far from Shaare Zedek hospital and the Mt. Herzl cemetery. The name of the fourth person killed, a 35-year-old man, has not been released.

Three people were still in serious condition last night at Shaare Zedek, while another five were in serious condition at Hadassah Hospital, Ein Kerem. Of the original 43 wounded, 16 were released from Shaare Zedek, which was still holding 21 last night; and three were released from Hadassah, where 10 people were still hospitalized last night.

The explosive device, police sources said, "was very, very large," but no specific size was mentioned last night as laboratory experts sifted through piles of debris collected by policemen on the scene. However, one well-informed police source estimated that the bomb might have contained as much as five kilograms of high explosives. Another source said that it was too

early to tell how the bomb was put together, but he confirmed reports that it had been stuffed with nails.

The device was placed underneath a seat opposite the back door of the bus, and when it exploded it tore the roof off the bus, ripped open the sides, and sent glass flying in all directions, including the playground sandbox of a school 100 metres away.

A number 21 bus, immediately behind the 18, was damaged by the explosion, and its front windshield caved in on the driver. Five passengers on the number 21 bus were wounded.

Police, Magen David Adom ambulances, Border Police and other authorities including Transport Minister Haim Corfu, arrived on the scene within minutes. The nearby Shaare Zedek hospital went on alert at the sound of the explosion (see story this page) and motorists in passing cars stopped to help take wounded to hospital.

While doctors dealt with the victims and survivors, police and sappers began studying the remains of the gutted bus. Volunteers, including students from a nearby yeshiva and other neighbours helped collect debris.

Police rounded up suspects from areas along the route, but conceded last night after releasing all but four, that the bomb could have been put on board anywhere along the route's 35 stops. The Egged driver, Shmuel Mizrahi, insisted yesterday that he had checked the bus before setting out.

Tat Nitzav Rahamim Comfort, Jerusalem sub-district police commander.

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PLO claims responsibility

NICOSIA (AP). — The Palestine Liberation Organization yesterday claimed responsibility for the bomb attack, it was reported by Wafa, the official Palestinian news agency.

The Nicosia-based news agency said in a dispatch from the northern Lebanese city of Tripoli that the claim was made in a communique issued by "the Palestinian military spokesman," who was not named.

The text of the communique as reported by Wafa said:

"Under instructions of the general command of the Palestinian revolution's forces to the guerrilla units in the occupied territories a guerrilla unit of 'Martyr Halim' was able today to detonate explosive charges inside an Israeli military bus.

"The explosive charges went off this afternoon while the bus was crossing Herzl Street in the centre of west Jerusalem.

"More than 40 Israeli military personnel were either killed or seriously injured."

Meanwhile, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir vowed last night that the perpetrators of the Jerusalem bus bombing "shall not go unpunished."

In a brief statement issued by his office, the premier said the security authorities were "making every possible effort to uncover the perpetrators of this criminal attack. They shall not go unpunished."

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Syrians down IDF drone over Bekaa

Jerusalem Post Reporter

An Israeli Air Force drone was shot down near Sultan Ya'akub in the Bekaa valley of Lebanon, the IDF announced yesterday. Drones are routinely used for reconnaissance.

Syria said its air defences shot down two pilotless Israeli reconnaissance planes yesterday. As-

sociated Press reported.

IDF sources in Lebanon denied an earlier report by Lebanese radio stations that Syrian gunners downed an Israeli jet and captured its pilot in the Bekaa. Phalange radio reported that the plane was shot down and its pilot taken prisoner when a flight of five Israeli aircraft swooped over the Bekaa valley after the drone was downed.

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Haifa Port	66	65
Tiberias	56	55
Nazareth	46	45
Alula	46	45
Shimon	47	46
Tel Aviv	80	79
B-G Airport	74	73
Jericho	48	47
Gaza	90	89
Beer Sheva	43	42
Eilat	33	32

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Prima Herzog gave a farewell reception on Monday evening at her home in Jerusalem for Israel's ambassador-designate to Canada Elyashiv Ben-Horin. Among the guests were Knesset Speaker Menachem Begin, Minister without Portfolio Mordechai Ben-Porat, Attorney-General Yitzhak Zamir, the Ambassadors of Canada, Germany, Sweden and the EEC and senior government officials.

Finland's 66th Independence Day was celebrated yesterday at a reception given by Finnish Ambassador Erkki Maentakanen at his residence in Herzliya Pituah. Among the guests were senior government officials, members of the Diplomatic Corps and officers of the Finnish UNDOF and UNIFIL contingents.

The Haifa Rotary Club will hold a business meeting at the Nof Hotel at 1 p.m. today.

MK Abba Eban will speak on "Israel's Political Situation Today" at the weekly meeting of the Jerusalem Rotary Club at 1 p.m. at the YMCA today.

Kimche to Argentina

Foreign Ministry director-general David Kimche is flying today to Argentina to represent Israel at the inauguration of President Raul Alfonsin.

Petrol bomb thrown at military vehicle

NABLUS (Itim). — A petrol bomb was thrown at a military vehicle last night as it passed the Askar refugee camp near here. No one was hurt and there was no damage. Security units combed the area.

Body of missing man found

The body of 44-year-old Shmuel Reuveni was found at Motza outside Jerusalem yesterday. Reuveni, a nurse at the Talbiya psychiatric hospital in Jerusalem, disappeared on October 16. (Itim)

PLO

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Middle East stronghold.

He also said Arafat would begin preparations to convene the 370-seat Palestine National Council, or parliament-in-exile. He said the PLO's legislative body will decide "the fate of the rebels. It is the only authority that can pronounce the verdict on those traitors."

Arafat is believed to have the support of the majority of PNC members.

Wazir said that Arafat had sent a letter to former Lebanese prime minister Rashid Karamah, who is currently in Damascus, "with details of the evacuation plan and a request for a few clarifications. But we have not received the answers yet."

Karamah, a prominent Tripoli politician, has been charged with overseeing the evacuation plan with a group of other political leaders in the city. Wazir said the clarifications demanded by Arafat include the fate of the rebels occupying the camps after the withdrawal of the loyalists.

In Damascus, Karamah told reporters that "a final plan and arrangements for the evacuation" of the loyalist terrorists have been completed. "The next few hours could be decisive," he said.

Karamah said a two-week deadline for implementing the evacuation would begin once the plan is announced.

HOME NEWS

Opposition blasts welfare bill

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN
Post Knesset Reporter

No fewer than nine Alignment speakers yesterday denounced the Social Betterment Services Bill presented for its first reading by Deputy Labour and Social Affairs Minister Ben-Zion Rubin.

If the vote had been taken yesterday, the bill would undoubtedly have been returned to the government, since coalition Knesset members both in the chamber and the building were greatly outnumbered by the opposition.

But Rubin exercised his right to defer his reply — and thus the vote — to another day.

Presenting the bill, Rubin said its main purpose was to remove the stigma from applicants for aid.

Whereas the present law refers to them as persons in need (nickakim), the new one calls them persons entitled (zaka'im) to assistance.

He said the main change in the bill is the provision authorizing the minister, in consultation with the

local authorities involved and with the consent of the interior minister, to determine that a given local authority shall provide social betterment (not "welfare") services to persons living in the area of another local authority.

Another change authorizes the minister to issue regulations requiring payment, or partial payment, for social betterment services. Rubin said that payment is now demanded for certain services but is "not anchored in law."

Nine Alignment speakers spoke against the bill, and several moved that it be returned to the government.

Article 7, which deals with investigations of an applicant's need for assistance, came under particular attack.

Yeroham Meshel slowly read out a good part of the article, which authorizes the director of a municipal social betterment office "to enter any place where there are

reasonable grounds for assuming that information is to be found that is required in order to learn about a person's income or any other detail connected with an application for social betterment services, to examine ledgers, accounts, documents and other papers, and also, under these conditions, to interrogate a person about any matter pertaining to this law, except that he shall not be entitled to enter a domicile except in accordance with an order from a magistrate court's judge."

The bill was also condemned for delegating too much power to the minister, by authorizing him to promulgate regulations on a number of subjects, without requiring the approval of the Labour and Social Affairs Committee. The Knesset was thus "neutralized," said Aharon Harel.

The question was not whether a person should get "welfare" or "social betterment," but how it has happened that he is not getting what he should.

PORT WORKERS

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managing director, told *The Jerusalem Post* that it is going ahead with the airlift, because of the backlog. If it does not send this backlog of about 2000 tons by air, the produce will not reach Europe in time for the pre-Christmas market.

On Monday, the Finance Ministry approved a \$1 million grant to cover the additional \$350 per ton cost to farmers of flying their produce to Europe. Sea transport costs \$150 a ton. But Agrexco circles told *The Post* yesterday that this grant will be used up within 10 days.

Agrexco secretary Haim Keller told *The Post* that the company hopes to airlift 1,200 tons this week, of which 800 was originally to have been sent by sea.

The extra flights will be flown by CAL, the cargo airline owned by the farmers, which has chartered an extra DC-10 in addition to a Jumbo Boeing chartered earlier in the season.

Zeev Boneh, acting for the official receiver of El Al, yesterday asked the Jerusalem District Court for permission for El Al to fly the produce to Europe at specially lower prices at the request of the minister of transport.

The Haifa Port spokesman told *The Post* that it would take only a few days to eliminate the backlog.

Port manager Moshe Harel expressed confidence that they would reach agreement on the stevedores' pay demands within the 10 days the court has given them.

He said the problem of higher norms has already been solved and the stevedores will get an average 7-8 per cent rise. But this agreement will not take effect until the authority's demand for smaller work gangs, which will result in redundancies, is accepted. Agreement on this issue will also give the men another 8 per cent rise on average. The higher norms pay will increase basic pay, and the smaller work gangs premium will increase take-home pay.



A Jerusalem woman in shock, following yesterday's bus explosion in the capital. (Rahamim)

BUS EXPLOSION

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mander, directed police operations on the scene.

The number 18 bus has the longest route in the city. The bus attacked was more than three-quarters along its winding trip when the bomb went off. Since the explosion occurred on a major north-south road in the city, traffic piled up throughout the capital for almost two hours as the clean-up and preliminary investigation took place. By three p.m., all was back to normal at the scene, the charred skeleton of the destroyed bus was in a nearby central garage, and traffic was flowing normally.

First reports from the scene said that at least one of two buses damaged caught fire. However, eyewitnesses explained that there was at first "a tremendous fireball, but afterwards no fire."

Photographer Eli Hershkovitz was the first journalist on the scene. He reported that he had "never seen anything like it. There was a surrealistic quality to all that carnage but with an eerie silence. There were no screams, no shouts. Just silence," he said that the evacuation of the wounded also took place in near-silence.

The last such explosion on a Jerusalem street was in June 1978, two stops away from yesterday's incident. In that explosion, six people were killed and another 19 wounded when a bomb ripped apart a stopped outside a Bayit Vi youth hostel. In June 1980, a grenade thrown at a group of tourists killed one and wounded another. Earlier this year, two girls were wounded when a bomb went off Rehov Hapalmach supermarket.

A partial list of the wounded, as given by Jerusalem Post last night by police, included: Eranza Bekki, Shai Yehudit Levi, Mordechai Maron, Malian, Orit Friedman, Leah Kurelich, Miriam, Rivka Cohen, Adele Vardi, Shoshana Vardi, Shmuel Ben-Zion, Aharon, Haim Schwartz, Amos Meidan, Avner, David Elan, Hadassah Sh Carmela Shemesh, Michael Hershkovitz, Gavriel, David Shvili, Shalom Sh Yehudit Golan, Tsvi Nuri, Shai Yehudit Shapiro, Helen Bernadine, Y Saraglie, Amir Harel, Ofra Harel Shpruch, Miriam Parkelievich, S Nakhshi, and Sarah Yosef.

Among the seriously wounded last night was the sister of one of the dead girls, Shoshana Sabal, an American tourist who was due to leave for home today, was in serious condition at Hada Hospital, as was 52-year-old Vino.

IN THE KNESSET/Asher Wallfish

Knesset body slams defence official

The Knesset State Control Committee yesterday took the highly unusual step of unanimously recommending the dismissal of a civil servant.

The committee demanded action against the head of the Insurance and Claims Division of the Defence Ministry because of mismanagement, negligence and conflict of interest.

The committee found that during and after the Lebanon war the division functioned in a chaotic manner and awarded compensation for damage to vehicles mobilized by the Israel Defence Forces without regard to established procedures. It also recommended that the insurance and claims division be completely reorganized.

A sub-committee of the State Control Committee questioned the head of the division at length before the full committee voted on his dismissal.

The *Jerusalem Post* understands that the Defence Ministry is anxious to dismiss the negligent division head but also seeks to dismiss division employees who were responsible for bringing the irregularities to light.

the Israel Police manpower division, said yesterday that the police establishment is short of 800 people.

Barla'i was briefing the Knesset Interior Committee, as was Ya'acov Markovitch, head of the police division at the Interior Ministry, who revealed that the operations most short of manpower were patrols, investigations, and accident prevention.

Shoshana Arbeli, chairman of the committee, complained that the police request to add 40 posts to combat drug smuggling from Lebanon had been turned down. She also complained that the Treasury has refused to continue paying for full-time guards and security organisers in rural areas through the Israel Police budget.

Markovitch revealed that the Israel Police had, of its own accord, transferred 150 employees from desk to operational functions. But he said the force would be hampered this year by a shortfall of \$500 million even though the Treasury had agreed to pay some of the cost increases due to inflation.

MK who can afford it would waive at least five per cent of his parliamentary salary.

Sarid said that about 100 of the Knesset's 120 members receive a salary or income additional to their parliamentary pay.

Several of the House Committee said their parliamentary salaries had been eroded in value during the past year and hence they would find it difficult to cut them further.

Increased IDF call-up

Chief IDF Education Officer Tal-Atuf Yossi Eldar said yesterday that considerable numbers of youths originally rejected for military service on grounds of low intelligence were now being called up and given special training. He told a joint meeting of the Knesset Education Committee and Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee that five out of every six males who would previously have been disqualified were now being called-up.

Between one and two per cent of each draft were still being rejected for medical reasons, or reasons of low intelligence, Eldar told the committee that the planned cuts in the defence budget would make it more difficult to prepare these borderline cases for military service.

Reagan seen continuing tough Lebanon policy

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The Reagan Administration will continue using its full air, ground and naval power against Syria and its Lebanese allies to drive home the U.S. resolve to protect its troops in Lebanon and to support President Amin Jemayel's government, authoritative U.S. officials said yesterday.

They said President Ronald Reagan has no intention of backing away from America's military involvement in Lebanon, even in the face of mounting criticism from influential circles on Capitol Hill and elsewhere.

If anything, they said, the President has become even more determined to stay the course in the aftermath of the recent U.S. losses in Lebanon.

White House aides recognize the potential for political trouble for Reagan, especially should he seek re-election next year, as is widely expected. But they maintain that Reagan has the strong support of the majority of Americans.

White House spokesman Larry Speakes yesterday told reporters that the U.S. was continuing discussions with Syrian officials "at a high level" for the return of the captured U.S. pilot and the body of the dead

airman.

At the same time, Speakes warned the Syrians against mistreating the pilot, Lieut. Robert Goodman. Speakes said the U.S. would not "condone" any mistreatment, adding that the U.S. "demands and expects" that he be accorded treatment according to the Geneva Conventions governing warfare.

Special Middle East Envoy Donald Rumsfeld is planning to return to Lebanon this week to resume his mediatory efforts. But no one here was expressing any optimism that his mission would produce any real results in the near future.

UK to review position of troops in Lebanon

LONDON (AP). — Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's government will hold a top-level review today of the position of British troops in the Lebanon peacekeeping force, officials said yesterday.

The Foreign Office announced that Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe will meet with one of his deputies, Richard Luce, who was recalled from a Middle East tour yesterday as pressure mounted in Parliament for a withdrawal of Britain's 100-plus troops in the Multinational Force.

Speaking for the government in the House of Commons, Conservative whip John Biffen said the position of British troops was under "constant review."

"That review will take account of events that happen day by day, including the recent events concerning the Americans and the Syrians," Biffen said.

The Italian government, which contributes 2,100 troops, is also to review its commitment today in the aftermath of the U.S. air raids in Lebanon, the shooting down of two American planes and the shelling of U.S. Marines at the Beirut airport.

Terrorist thought to have been exchanged still in Israeli jail

By DAVID RICHARDSON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Ziad Abu Ain, one of the convicted Palestinian terrorists reported to have been freed and flown to Algeria last month in the exchange for the six Israeli soldiers held by Fatah, is still being held in the Nafha maximum security prison in the Negev.

His presence in an Israeli prison, despite a specific and apparently approved request from the PLO conveyed to Israel by the International Committee of the Red Cross, appears to be an acute embarrassment to Israel, judging from the reactions of officials who dealt with the prisoner exchange. It also endangers the ongoing negotiations for the release of the remaining POWs being held by Ahmed Jibril and Syria.

The IDF spokesman said last night that the IDF worked together

with the International Committee of the Red Cross on the list of prisoners to be exchanged and the name of Ziad Abu Ain did not appear on the list agreed between the IDF and the ICRC. The IDF spokesman would not comment beyond this announcement.

Abu Ain's family in El-Bireh was informed by the ICRC on the day after the prisoner exchange that he had agreed to leave the country and fly to Algeria. Later they heard rumours that he was apparently still in Nafha, where he has been held since his conviction in 1982 for a terrorist bombing killing two and wounding 36 in Tiberias. They asked Jerusalem lawyer Felicia Langer to trace him and she discovered that he was in the prison.

Abu Ain states in a signed affidavit that together with 11 other inmates he was flown by helicopter out of his prison uniform, he entered a tent where at least six ICRC delegates were present.

They told him that his release had been specifically requested by the Fatah and that he must sign a statement agreeing to leave the country and be flown to Algeria.

After signing, Abu Ain said he was taken back to a bus with other prisoners and blindfolded again. "Then a soldier came onto the bus and called out my name. I was taken off the bus, put into a car and made to lie on the floor," he said. Eventually, after the rest of the prisoners had boarded the plane, he was

driven back to the prison "where the wardens were astonished to see me."

Abu Ain gained notoriety because, following the 1979 bomb attack, he fled to the United States, and Israel was only able to bring him to trial after lengthy and well-publicized extradition proceedings in American courts.

Various sources involved in the negotiations and in the actual exchange said that Abu Ain's name had indeed been included in the original list provided by the PLO. However, in transcribing the lists for the final checks his name had been misspelled. The resulting confusion was exploited by the Israeli security authorities, who removed him from the bus and returned him to Nafha, these sources said.

Prison Commissioner Mordechai Wertheimer, said at the time that all of the prisoners who appeared on the agreed list were released. "If Abu Ain is still in prison that indicates that his name did not appear on the list," he said. But Wertheimer also indicated that more than the specific number of prisoners agreed to were transported to the final assembly point, although he refused to elaborate.

Other sources insisted that the ICRC had double-checked against a list of names, once the released prisoners and detainees from Ansar were seated in the three jumbos chartered to fly them to Algiers.

It is understood that Abu Ain's release is being re-negotiated.

Loss of PLO sources in Lebanon 'blow to U.S.'

NEW YORK (AP). — U.S. intelligence efforts in the Middle East relied on secret links with the Palestine Liberation Organization and has suffered since the PLO was forced to leave Beirut in 1982, the *New York Times* reported yesterday.

The PLO departure in August 1982 "was a major intelligence loss for us," an unidentified official told the newspaper.

Though the U.S. has refused to

deal directly with the PLO, the CIA, with approval from successive U.S. presidents back at least to Richard Nixon, established a large network of PLO intelligence sources, the *Times* reported.

It said the CIA has not been able to replace the sources who provided information on political and military developments in the region, including reports on terrorist organizations and militant Shia Moslem groups.

Israel in 'Oceanic' group for World Cup

By PAUL KOHN
Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel will play Australia, New Zealand and Taiwan in the 1986 soccer World Cup qualifying sub-group, the International Football Federation decided in Zurich yesterday.

The winner of this Oceania sub-group will play the loser of one of seven European groups for a place among the 24 finalists in Mexico. The only time that Israel reached

the World Cup finals was in Mexico in 1970. Then too Israel was in the Oceania group, beating Australia and New Zealand.

The IFF ruling was met with mixed feelings here last night. Israel Football Association chairman Haim Haberfeld said the decision to take Israel out of Europe was "politically motivated" and a great disappointment. But other observers were pleased with the draw.

Inquiry clears police officer in shooting

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A police investigation into the fatal shooting on Saturday night of David Elul, 24, a prisoner on home leave, has found that the police officer who fired the shot was obeying standing orders.

Elul, who was on home leave from Beersheba prison, was detected on Saturday night loitering near the Tel Aviv Museum. When a police officer ordered him to identify himself, Elul refused to do so.

Instead, he started to fight with the police officer, threw him over a nearby fence and fled. The police officer then fired shots into the air and at Elul's lower extremities. One of them struck Elul in the back, killing him.

Police later found in Elul's pockets items stolen earlier that night from the apartment of Dr. Anatol Krakowski, chief dermatologist of Ichilov Municipal Hospital.

Court orders yeshiva to stop construction

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A Jerusalem municipal official yesterday served the Birkat Avraham yeshiva in the Old City with a court order forbidding it to continue illegal construction of an extra room, a municipal spokesman said.

Ike Kedem of the spokesman's office said that the city inspectors sent to serve the court order were not allowed into the yeshiva, but returned later with a police guard to deliver the injunction. Yeshiva students recently attacked Arab neighbours in the Moslem quarter.

Syria aims to correct Middle East balance

DAMASCUS (Reuters). — Syria studying ways of "correcting balance" in the Middle East for a recent U.S.-Israeli coalition agreement, an official Syrian source said yesterday.

The source, quoted by the official Syrian news agency, did not say what was meant by correcting balance.

In what amounted to a statement, the source said on Arab nations to "show their responsibilities" following U.S.-Israeli rapprochement.

Man beats 80-year-old

RAMAT GAN (Itim). — Police here yesterday set up roadblocks in an attempt to catch a young man suspected of beating up an 80-year-old woman in a robbery attempt.

The suspect knocked on the woman's door, burst in when she opened it and beat her with a blunt instrument after she started screaming.

Saudi delegation sees German arms

BONN (Reuters). — A Saudi Arabian military delegation yesterday began a series of visits to German arms factories and with Bonn officials over possible weapons purchases.

The nine-man team will inspect weapons factories, including Krauss-Maffei in Munich and Thyssen-Henschel in Kassel. It also will watch arms demonstration at West German army camps.

Our beloved father, father-in-law and grandfather

MORRIS S. ROSEN

(Utica, New York)
Has passed away
The burial has taken place in Jerusalem

Deeply mourned by his:
Daughter: Barbara Rappoport
Son and Daughter-in-law: Dr. Reuven and Florence Rosen (Denver, Colorado)

Grandchildren:
Elia, Marc, Shira and Joy Rappoport
Dov, Tamar, and Jason Rosen.

Shiva: B. Rappoport, 11 Bavli, Tel Aviv, Tel. 03-457062.

הקמת מצבה

Memorial Service at the grave of

HONORINE (Honey) KRUMBEIN

will take place Friday morning December 9 at 9.30.
Family and friends will meet at the entrance to Har Hamaenuch Cemetery at 9.15

The Family

We deeply mourn the death in London of

AMY ULLMANN

(née Lunzer)
in her 88th year.

Sons and daughters, England:
Brother — Sidney B. Lunzer, Jerusalem
Brother — Harry Lunzer, England

HOME NEWS

Civil servants to boycott public next week

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Civil servants will strike the public this Sunday in protest against the Civil Servants' Association's decision to demand a 17 per cent advance which Histadrut firms will begin paying their employees on December 18th. The strike will be called by the union's executive committee, which met Monday to discuss the union's decision. He did not say whether the strike would be successful.
 The Finance Ministry's recent cuts in overtime pay and allowances, are totally unacceptable. "The real take-home pay of civil servants is being rapidly eroded," he said. "Many civil servants have a net pay packet of less than \$20,000. A breadwinner cannot support a family on such meagre income," he said.
 Histadrut Secretary-General Yoram Meshel also took the Treasury to task yesterday for failing to reform the income tax brackets, the tax reduction credits, and the child allowances. "The 17 per cent advance which Histadrut firms will begin paying their employees on December 18th will be eaten up by taxes," he complained.
 He charged that Orgad had failed to take into consideration that advances which are meant to compensate for erosion in take-home pay were taxed so heavily that little was left.
 He called on Cohen-Orgad to resume talks as soon as possible on the entire wage problem.
 The trade unions department also decided yesterday to raise the age of retirement of women employed by Histadrut institutions. At present, although a woman may retire at 60, mandatory retirement age is 62. Yesterday's decision raises retirement age by one full year every 18 months. Thus, in 18 months, or July, 1985, the age of mandatory retirement will be 63.

Ministry approves plan for spreading country's population

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Jerusalem, Galilee, the Negev and the West Bank are to be the main beneficiaries of a population dispersal plan approved yesterday by the Interior Ministry's National Council for Planning and Construction.
 Presenting the plan to the government, Ministry Director-General Haim Kuberly urged the adoption of "economic, administrative and legal measures" to reduce population concentration in central Israel, a concentration that represents a "gross imbalance."
 By the year 2010, says the council plan, Israel's population will be seven million compared to four million at present.
 According to the latest population census, 40.5 per cent of Israel's Jewish population live in Jerusalem, Galilee, the Negev and the West Bank. That percentage would grow to 50.4 per cent by 2010 if the government acts on the plan.
 The National Planning and Construction Council suggests a number of incentives to aid in this growth: bigger and better housing at lower prices should be made available in the "preferred" places, and more defence industries should be located in these areas to provide a livelihood for their residents.
 Parallel with these benefits, certain "penalties" should be imposed to make Tel Aviv and central Israel less attractive. Thus, state-assisted investment in new industry should be barred from these areas, state lands should not be sold or leased for further development, and state-assisted home construction should be kept to a minimum.

Ministry says all olim can study Hebrew

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Jerusalem. The Absorption Ministry yesterday accused the Education Ministry of backing out of a commitment not to close Hebrew-language *ulpanim* for new immigrants — a charge that the Education Ministry rejects.
 A spokesman for the Absorption Ministry said that Education Ministry director-general Eliezer Shmueli had recently told Absorption Minister Aharon Uzan that no *ulpanim* for new immigrants would be closed. But, according to the spokesman, Shmueli backtracked a few days ago, informing the absorption authorities that only immigrant children, and not adults, would continue to enjoy Education Ministry-funded *ulpanim*. Immigrants are entitled to free *ulpan* during their first three years in Israel.
 But the Education Ministry spokesman yesterday denied that *ulpanim* are closing. He said that "not a single immigrant" will be deprived of Hebrew study, and that "no one will have to stop studying because of budget cuts."
 The Education Ministry says that *ulpanim* which cater to non-immigrants, such as kibbutz *ulpanim* serving foreign students and tourists, will no longer be subsidized by the ministry.
 The Knesset Education Committee is scheduled to discuss the imbroglio between the two ministries on the *ulpanim* cutbacks today.

Confession challenged in Alterowitz murder

TEL AVIV (Itim). — The defence in the trial of Ronen Shani-Sagi, who is charged with the murder of Ya'acov Alterowitz, yesterday challenged the admissibility of a confession allegedly made to the police. Shani-Sagi, 24, and Gil Ben-Gal, 25, are charged with the murder of Alterowitz, an employee of the Moritz and Tugler brokerage firm last February 20.
 Shani-Sagi's lawyers, Avigdor Feldman and Amnon Zichroni, maintain that their client's confession was elicited under pressure.

Ben-Gurion archives open to the public today at Sde Boker

Jerusalem Post Reporter
BEERSHEBA. — The personal and public papers of David Ben-Gurion, Israel's first prime minister, are being officially opened to the public today at Sde Boker in the Negev, where Ben-Gurion spent his final days.
 Ben-Gurion Centre director Mair Avizor, telling the press Ben-Gurion had kept a diary for seven decades, from the time of his arrival in this country, said he knew of no other personal archives as full or comprehensive.
 The security rating of much of the material has produced a long-running dispute between the centre and the military authorities. Many documents are still in the possession of the army and security services. Some material is being declassified year by year; but other documents may remain classified for as long as 50 years.
 Material on the "Lavon Affair," when Ben-Gurion fell out with most of his senior colleagues, takes up a whole shelf of the archives; but it is only expected to be released next year. The affair concerned a botched security operation in Egypt, which resulted in the death and imprisonment of Israeli agents. Ben-Gurion always believed that Pinhas Lavon, who succeeded him as defence minister, was respon-



Shulamit Shamir, wife of the prime minister, (left) congratulates Zehava Sabag, a mother of nine who was named "Mother of the Year of the Shmuel Hanavi Quarter" in Jerusalem in a ceremony held yesterday in the Pomerance community centre. (Rahamim Israeli)

Civil rights group reminds Arens of pledge on W. Bank

By DAVID RICHARDSON
Jerusalem Post Reporter
 The Association for Civil Rights in Israel has written to Defence Minister Moshe Arens reminding him of his undertaking to apply the law with equal severity to Arab and Jewish lawbreakers in the territories.
 The ACRI letter notes recent reports that the government is considering changing the law in the territories to ensure stiffer punishments for demonstrators and rock-throwers there. "We hope that this change in the law will be applied to all who disturb public order and break the law in the territories, both in the Arab and Jewish sectors," the association wrote.
 On Monday night, Arens met settlers from Har Bracha near Nablus and described the maintenance of order and the enforcement of law in

Stoning attacks, arrests in West Bank

The windscreen of a bus belonging to the Match Binayim local council in the West Bank was shattered by a rock early yesterday evening. No injuries were reported. The driver and passengers tried to catch the rock-thrower, but failed. Soldiers searched the area, but no arrests were reported.
 Meanwhile at the Al-Aruf refugee camp near Hebron local police detained 12 young men on Monday night on suspicion of throwing stones at Israeli vehicles passing the camp, Itim reports.
 Those held are aged between 18 and 20 and are reported to have confessed. Several are said to have given information leading to the arrest of their accomplices.

Psychometric tests come under fire

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — In six years, Knesset members from development towns and poor neighbourhoods will be the majority in the Knesset and will abolish psychometric testing as a criterion for university admissions. Asher Eitan, head of Tel Aviv University's educational programme for community leaders from development towns, said yesterday, "I have spoken to members of Knesset such as Meir Shitrit, Rafi Suissa and Aharon Uzan, and this is what they predict," he said during a discussion on psychometric testing sponsored by the university's Student Association.
 Yossi Caspi of the university's psychology department, himself of Sephardi origin, said psychometric tests are culturally biased. "If I prepared a test which included items from the culture of the Hatikva Quarter or Neve Eliezer, I bet Dr. Baruch Nevo (director of the National Centre for Admissions Testing) could not answer them."
 Nevo replied that abolishing psychometric testing would hurt precisely those groups whom Eitan and Caspi want to defend. If personal contacts and other discriminatory practices became the basis of university admissions, middle-class students would manage to pull the right strings while disadvantaged students would not. He said psychometric tests are far from perfect but, when taken together with matriculation grades, they are the best available predictor of university success.
PRESENTS. — Thousands of soldiers who have no families in the country have been given Hanukkah presents of digital wristwatches by the Soldiers' Welfare Association.

No decisions reached yet on Ata dismissals

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — Management and workers at the Ata textile factory failed to reach a decision yesterday during negotiations over the firm's plans to dismiss 550 of its 2,600 employees.
 Company secretary Emanuel Solomonov said many more meetings would probably be required to reach agreement in principle.
 "It is very painful to talk about dismissing workers and it cannot be decided in a few days," he said.
 The works committee has decided not to make public statements during the negotiations.

Sulha arranged after Deir Hanna rioting

DEIR HANNA (Itim). — "Either make peace among yourselves or I'll arrest people right and left until complete order is restored," threatened Nitzav-Mishne Meir Sadeh, head of the Galilee district police, during a meeting called between the town's two feuding factions to arrange a *sulha* (reconciliation).
 The negotiation between the heads of the Hussein and Khatib clans followed a day of rioting on Saturday, in which 12 people were injured.
 Under pressure from Sadeh, the two clans eventually agreed to a joint declaration stating that a *sulha* had been concluded with the aid of the Israel police.
 The feud began with the recent local elections, when a Khatib won and refused to name a Hussein as his deputy.

Haifa man held for embezzling millions

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — A well-known Haifa citizen has been arrested on suspicion of embezzling millions of shekels from government departments over the past few years, police said yesterday.
 The 63-year-old man, who is the secretary of a public organisation in the city, was arrested on Monday following a nine-month investigation by fraud squad detectives. His secretary, a 34-year-old woman from Kiryat Motzkin, was also detained for questioning.
 The man allegedly forged documents to obtain money from government departments, including the Ministries of Immigration and Absorption and Labour and Welfare.
 Police said their enquiries are continuing.

Ashdod man arrested for trying to post hashish

ASHDOD (Itim). — A 42-year-old resident of this town, who recently returned from Germany after serving a jail sentence for a criminal offence, was arrested yesterday on suspicion of trying to smuggle a dangerous drug out of the country.
 The man, under surveillance since his return, was arrested after a package which he was about to mail to a friend still jailed in Germany was opened by police. The package contained hashish, police said.

U.S.-INDIA CULTURAL EXCHANGE. — President Ronald Reagan announced on Monday that the U.S. and India have reached a special cultural exchange agreement under which major U.S. art institutions in 1985 will offer displays of Indian social and cultural life since ancient times.

Vance speaks at opening of Dayan Mideast centre

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Former U.S. secretary of state Cyrus Vance last night called on Israel to halt the settlement drive on the West Bank as a step towards revitalizing the peace process.
 Speaking at the opening of Tel Aviv University's Dayan Centre for Middle East and African Studies, Vance said this should not be taken as punishment for Israel. "There have been sins of omission and commission on the part of all parties, more than enough to go around. Our diplomatic experience has taught us that the electrifyingly simple and inspiring act can capture the imagination of governments within the region and beyond. Of course, there is a possibility that the Arabs will not respond appropriately to an Israeli settlement halt, but I think they will."
 The "unfinished business of Camp David" i.e. the autonomy talks, must not be neglected because of the situation in Lebanon, he said. A dual track policy must be pursued which will work on both issues simultaneously, he said.
 Vance said that nothing less than full autonomy for Palestinians will achieve the goal of peace. "What we see now is creeping annexation of the West Bank, which will destroy Resolution 242 and its inherent bargain of exchanging territory for full peace."
 He said the Palestinians must be assured that their best hope is the political process, not violence. Egypt must be assured that the peace with Israel was the beginning, not the end of the peace process. Jordan must receive American assurances that its sovereignty will be protected and Israel must be sure that the U.S. commitment to its security is unwavering. The peace process must ultimately extend to the Golan Heights, he said, but Syria must understand it cannot maintain a stranglehold on the peace process.
 Vance is in Israel on a four-day visit.
 Attending the ceremony were Moshe Dayan's widow, Rachel Dayan, his daughter Yael Dayan-Sion and her husband, Tat-Aluf Dov Sion.

3,000-5,000 Israelis are drug addicts

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Between 3,000-5,000 Israelis are drug addicts, Dr. Peter Silfen, a psychiatrist, and a member of the organizing committee of the Second International Congress on Drugs and Alcohol, said here yesterday.
 The congress is scheduled to open here on December 18.
 Silfen said he defines "drug addict" as a person who has lost control of himself and of his destiny because of drug use. It does not include regular users who have not reached the stage of addiction. In his usage, the term includes only those drugs forbidden by law in Israel, such as heroin, cocaine, opium and hashish.
 Silfen said that his figures were drawn from a recent survey conducted by Dr. Kalman J. Mann, former head of the Hadassah Medical Organization. This survey showed that six per cent of all adult Israelis had used drugs at one time or another, but were not addicts. Of the 3,000-5,000 addicts, about 1,000 are receiving treatment, mainly at outpatient departments, or clinics, although a few are hospitalized, he said.

Court blocks lawyer's marriage to Ilanit

Model Anabel Tamir yesterday won a temporary injunction at the High Court of Justice in Jerusalem yesterday, forbidding her husband, Attorney Eli Tamir, to marry the singer Ilanit until it decides on her petition.
 Anabel Tamir has asked the High Court to cancel a decision of the Tel Aviv Rabbinical Court annulling her marriage to Tamir. The High Court has also ordered the rabbinical court to show cause why it should not cancel the annulment within 30 days.
 Tamir applied to the Tel Aviv Rabbinical Court for an annulment of his marriage to Anabel on the grounds that she had deceived him regarding her Jewish parentage. Anabel Tamir charges that her husband knew that she had a Jewish father and a Christian mother. She maintains that it was Tamir who persuaded her to pose as a Jew when they got married, so as not to have to wait for conversion proceedings.
 The rabbinical court agreed to an annulment on the grounds that Anabel Tamir, "dishonestly deceived the rabbinate and the rabbinical court by presenting herself as Jewish." Therefore it had no alternative but to annul the marriage. (Itim)

Mayor sets conditions for budget cut

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — Mayor Arye Gurel announced yesterday that he is prepared to cut the city's 1983-84 budget from 153.08 billion to 153.8-8b, at the request of the Interior Ministry — provided the ministry consolidates the municipality's ISib debts.
 He is also demanding that the city's allocation be linked to the cost-of-living index to counter inflation.
 "We are prepared to accept the reduction in the budget if these two conditions are met," Gurel told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.
 He charged that the government had been promising since 1981 to pay off the city's outstanding debts — either by consolidation or in a grant.
 "We are now asking for those promises to be implemented, and we have an assurance that the appropriate officials in the Interior Ministry will raise the matter with their colleagues in the Treasury."
 Meanwhile, the municipality is facing problems in paying November salaries to its 4,500 employees because of a breakdown in the monthly funding from the ministry.
 "We should have received IS250 million, but we have been told we will only get half of this amount. We will now have to borrow the remainder from banks and this will put an added burden on our already strained finances," the mayor said.

Hotel refreshment prices standardized

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — A bottle of Macos beer, which costs \$49.80 at a supermarket, costs IS137 in a five-star hotel and IS92 in a one-or-two-star hotel, according to the listing of maximum prices for drinks in hotel lobbies published by the Tourism Ministry yesterday. The prices will be updated approximately every three months.
 A cup of coffee will cost up to IS92 in a five-star hotel and as little as IS64 in a one-or-two-star hotel; a can of Schweppes or cola (IS51 in a supermarket) will cost IS144 in a five-star hotel and IS84 in a one-or-two-star hotel. The cheapest "extra" on sale in a hotel lobby is a bottle of soda at IS73 in a five-star hotel and IS36 in a one- or two-star hotel.
 These prices include a service charge, but do not include value-added tax, from which tourists are exempt. The same items ordered from room service will cost IS92 more in five-star and IS22 more in one- or two-star hotels.
 Hotel circles said yesterday that the "extra" prices are insufficient to cover their overhead costs and also said they are not updated often enough.
 The Tourism Ministry last week sent hotels a circular reminding them that as of December 1 they must serve fresh orange and grapefruit juice upon request until July 31, and citrus fruit during the winter.
 According to the new prices, a glass of fresh citrus juice will cost IS109 in a five-star hotel, IS92 in a four-star hotel, IS73 in a three-star hotel and IS64 in a one- or two-star hotel.

LEADERSHIP. — President Chaim Herzog will address a meeting on young leadership to be attended by MKs from all parties, businessmen, and others from all walks of Israeli and diaspora life at a hotel by the Dead Sea next week. The party will last three days and cost the World Zionist Organization \$30,000.

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HAPPY HANUKKAH, "DELEK"

\$20m. order for electronics corp.

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Electronics Corporation of Israel (a member of the Clal group) on Monday announced that it had received a \$20 million order from the West German Post and Telephone Administration for a 360 telephone line doubler units.

Deliveries are to be made during 1984/85. The TLDs will be used to double the voice carrying capacity

of existing trunk lines in the West German network.

ECI notes that its product was selected by the German telecommunications administration after two years of testing various systems.

The Israeli company says that the TLD is easy to install, and its increased capacity becomes operational in a very short time.

In North America, the telephone line doubler is marketed under the

name DTX—digital trunk expander. It is used both by common carriers and by private end-users, to reduce the cost of leased lines, or as a cost-effective method of adding circuits to existing networks.

ECI's sales increased from \$2.6m. in 1979, to \$3.9m. in 1980; 10.4m. in 1981 and \$11.6m. in 1982.

ECI employs 300 persons, of whom 70 are involved in research, development and engineering.



Dalit Sagi, of Moshav Bnei Yehuda in the Golan Heights, with the electrical energy control device which won her first prize at the 1983 Weizman Institute Science Fair. Sagi, 18, collected her award at a ceremony at the institute, in Rehovot, yesterday. Her computerized energy controller facilitates the efficient and economic use of electrical energy by large consumers.

Eilat may get tourism boost

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Eilat's ailing tourism industry may be boosted up for the second consecutive year by discount packages for Israelis who would occupy the rooms left vacant by Europeans.

Tourism Ministry Director-General Rafi Farber is to visit the Red Sea Port today to meet with hoteliers and representatives of the Arkia inland airline and the Egged bus company in an effort to work out a package which would be attractive to Israelis. If the others agree, the ministry is willing to publicize the package.

In addition to its lack of tourists, Eilat is also suffering from the decision to close down the Timna copper mines and lack of work at the port. According to the ministry, the present tourism slump has been caused by cancellations by Israelis, deterred by the high prices and the general economic situation.

However, the ministry says all is well with the overseas trade. The number of weekly charter flights is due to go up from its present eight to 11 next week. But reports from Eilat have indicated that the flights are far from filled and that it would be, to say the least, unusual, for Eilat hotels to offer rooms at a discount to Israelis just in time for what ought to be the high season.

Last year the malaise was explained by the War in Lebanon, which reached its peak just as the season was due to get underway, but with an additional 200 rooms from new hotels, the town still seems to have difficulty attracting enough tourists.

In reaction to the move, Eilat Hotel Association director Moshe Potemolli said that the hotels would have to consider any suggestion, keeping in mind that prices had already gone down to real terms by 30 per cent. He added that in any event, there would be no point in advertising such subsidies until after January 15, when the Christmas season was over.

2-tier exchange-rate system 'would cause economic havoc'

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Re-introducing a two-tier exchange-rate system will play havoc with Israel's economy, according to Avner Ben-Yakar, Chairman of the Federation of Israeli Chambers of Commerce.

Ben-Yakar noted that establishing a low exchange rate for funds flowing into the country (not from exports) would slow down the rate of this incoming money. Some persons would even find "unconventional" ways of bringing foreign currency into Israel. Moreover, many persons, now saving in dollar-linked accounts, would have second thoughts, since they

would suspect that the authorities were "playing" with the exchange rates, Ben-Yakar said.

As for exporters receiving a specially high exchange rate, Ben-Yakar said this would lead to all types of distortions. Some exporters would fake export shipments in order to get the higher rate; others would try to export non-competitive goods which had become competitive due to the bonus they received on every dollar earned.

(The switch from the present exchange-rate system to a two-tier one which existed for many years in this country, was suggested recently by Avraham Shapiro, MK, in a speech before the America-Israel Chamber of Commerce.)

Real estate not 'a seller's market'

HAIFA. — The Maldan Association of Real Estate Brokers held its annual general meeting here yesterday "facing a period of uncertainty and stagnation," in the words of its chairman Emanuel Kogan.

Association Treasurer Joe Beo-Simon estimated that sales of second hand flats had dropped by as much as 70 per cent, but he was optimistic that real estate investments would pick up as the money being pulled out of the disappointing stock exchange would seek new outlets.

Kogan said that the sellers' market was over "and we must concentrate on finding buyers and advising entrepreneurs on the right time to sell."

The most urgent need was for a law to regulate the real estate business in order to protect the public from "unqualified amateurs."

PLASTIC ORDERS. — Keter Plastics has firm orders for \$6 million for 1984, according to Sami Sagol, managing director of the Tel Aviv plant.

Reforms proposed in citrus growing

Post Economic Reporter

The Treasury and the Ministry of Agriculture have agreed to pay \$1.4 to citrus growers for every \$7.6 they receive in sales if the growers agree to a proposed reform in the citrus sector, the Finance Ministry budgets division director Ya'acov Gadish told the Knesset Finance Committee yesterday.

The reform is based on a 5 point plan which includes picking citrus according to quality and not according to quotas; a 15 per cent reduction in personnel employed by the Citrus Council; and the establishment of a common organization by the council and Agrexco.

UK Amex group visits

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Some 20 executives from American Express, London, this week paid a two-day visit to Israel in what the company officials described as "an attempt to increase travel to Israel by the company's clients."

Fishermen want government to suspend sardine imports

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A mass meeting of the country's fishermen last week called on the government to suspend all licences for importing sardines, frozen and canned, until the local canning industry agrees to buy catches from Lake Kinneret.

The fishermen's Union Secretary, Itamar Katz, told *The Jerusalem Post* that the Kinneret sardine season has just started and will last through February, with a catch of 500 to 600 tons expected.

But, due to the refusal of the canning industry to buy the catches as soon as they are landed, fishermen

had already been forced to deep freeze 40 tons of sardines, at a cost of \$30 per kg. — which amounts to over half the price they have charged the industry (\$34 per kg.)

The Defence Ministry, which buys canned sardines for the troops, informed the fishermen that it would buy much larger quantities of sardines. But the industry declined to sell to the troops on the grounds that too much work was involved, said Katz.

Katz said that as a last resort the fishermen would take their sardines to Jerusalem and sell them outside the Ministry of Industry and Trade to convince the government that Israeli produce deserves priority.

OPEC expected to maintain oil prices

NEW YORK (Reuters). — The U.S. oil industry expects OPEC to stick to current production and price levels at a ministerial meeting in Geneva this week, but questions its ability to avoid price cuts early next year.

When OPEC (the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries) meets today, it will be faced with slower than expected growth in world oil demand and weak prices.

Analysts expect OPEC to reaffirm its March accord when its 13 members agree to limit overall

output to 17.5 million barrels per day and lower the price of benchmark crude, Saudi Arabia light, by \$5 a barrel to \$29.

Most analysts see a decline, if comes, of around \$1 to \$1.5 a barrel in the price of Saudi light crude.

Most other analysts disagree with some recent predictions of sharp price falls, such as a forecast by Evans Economics of Washington that there is a 50-50 chance that "prices will fall substantially early next year, probably by about \$4 barrel."

Haifa furriers will 'innovate' to beat crisis

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER

HAIFA. — "This is not the first crisis we've had in the fur trade. We intend to get through it by innovation and investing in the future," Shlomo Kuehnreich, a leading furrier told *The Jerusalem Post*.

He was commenting on reports that several large furriers had gone out of business during the past two years and that many workers had been dismissed in the industry. A number of large European furriers have also gone under as a result of the worldwide crisis, caused by the poor economic conditions.

The Kuehnreich Brothers' company, which was founded here nearly 45 years ago, is one of the country's veterans. This year their exports, which amount to 90 per cent of sales, totalled \$1 million, down from \$1.5m. last year. But they have not reduced their work force of 20 and continue to farm out some work to subcontractors.

The firm exports mainly to Italy

and Switzerland and also sells directly to visiting tourists.

Kuehnreich said that he was more worried by the government's policy regarding the fur trade than the international crisis "which is bound to pass."

He noted that the "inflationary profit taxation" hits the trade especially hard because they must buy furs at the European auctions in January and February but sell the finished coats and stoles only the next winter, one month later. The shekel value of the furs has meanwhile more than doubled, resulting in "ruinous taxes." The problem could be solved at the stroke of a pen, Kuehnreich holds, if the Treasury would allow furriers to keep their books in dollars, as the diamond trade does.

Three years ago fur fashions changed from the curly, short-haired Persian lambs to long-haired mink, racoon and fox furs. While most Israeli furriers had specialised

solely on short-haired furs, Kuehnreichs had always worked mink as well "and we had no trouble changing over."

They purchased the most modern equipment and developed their own innovations, such as two-tone mink coats, which found a ready market. Their latest innovation is a two-tone Persian lamb jacket, cut in alternating colour stripes that give knitted coat effect.

"Those who can afford furs; not badly hit by the economic crisis. But they want something that woman who already 'has everything' has not got yet. I cater to them," Kuehnreich said.

Their latest project is a fur centre for tourists and sales rooms for annual fur fair for buyers from abroad, to be opened in the storey Haim tower in Rehovot. The tower is now to be completed, having stood unfinished for four years due to a dispute between the contractors.

A Kuehnreich coat is modelled outside Haifa's Haim Tower.

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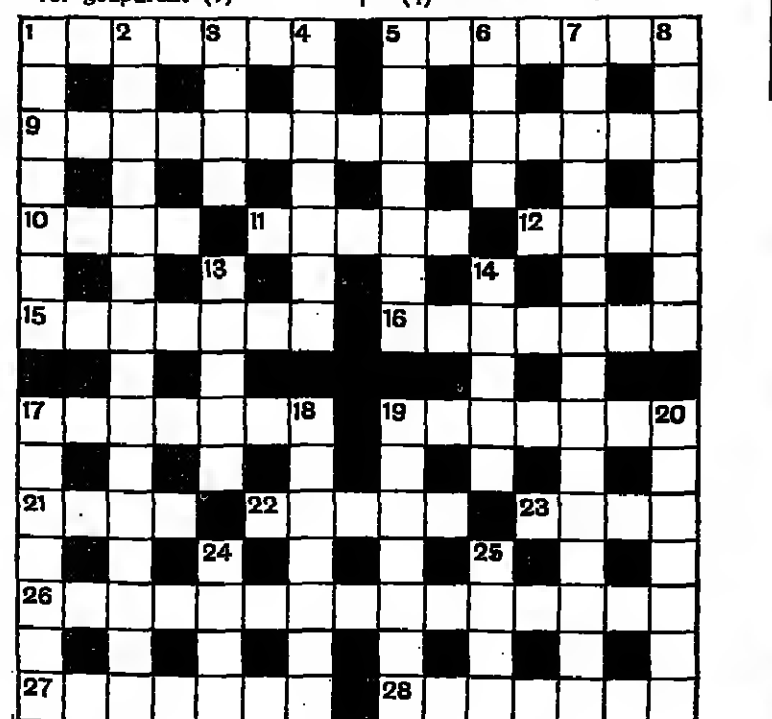
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| 10 Dull retirement for Shakespeare (4) | 4 Air-beds blown up—arresting officers commonly use them (5) |
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| 19 Laughs at some of the thunder I despise (7) | 14 Tin and wooden vessel created by Lewis Carroll (5) |
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| 23 Pitman said to be good talker in cage (4) | 19 Exiles king in storehouses (7) |
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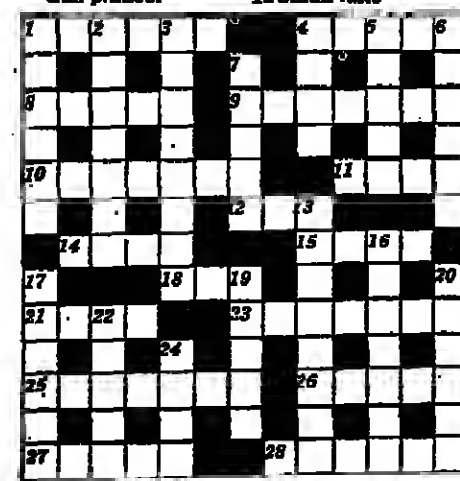
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Gov't-supported shares end slide

TEL AVIV. — After four consecutive sessions, over the course of which the prices of those bank shares, covered by the agreement with the Treasury, were falling, the downward trend was halted yesterday. Union and Discount A were able to reflect minute gains.

The supported bank shares, generally acting as a group disconnected from other sectors of share trading, including those bank shares not covered by the agreement.

The supported shares have often been while the rest of the market was falling and on other occasions when all other shares are advancing, this group has gone into reverse.

Primarily this situation can be traced to the fact that the bank shares in question have become the object of institutional investment.

Since the Treasury was able to refrain from intervention the only other buyers were the pension funds and on occasion the mutual funds.

The public has continued to be the seller.

Yesterday the rest of the market moved moderately lower in the wake of profit taking moves. For early a fortnight now the prices of equities have advanced smartly, yesterday the time came to take some profits.

The General Share Index was down by 0.64 per cent while the index for the commercial banks was ahead by 0.01 per cent.

For a change, not a single security was able to enter the buyers' only circle but six wound up as sellers only.

There were 74 other issues which fell by margins of more than 5 per cent while only 31 securities were

Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

By JOSEPH MORGENTHAU

able to advance by margins of more than 5 per cent.

Trading turnover eased as IS123.4 million of a total turnover of IS461m. was achieved in trading of non-commercial bank shares.

Mortgage bank stocks were sharply down. Jaysour 1 was 8.6 per cent lower, while the 5 shares were down by nearly 10 per cent.

Binayan, after dropping 5 per cent on Monday, was 5 per cent lower yesterday. However, "Tuesday's" drop was occasioned by a "sellers only" situation.

Specialized financial institutions were also lower. Shilton was down by 6.9 per cent while the Federation of Contractors was 7.7 per cent lower.

Insurance issues trended slightly lower. Yardenia 0.1 was a major loser with a 9.7 per cent drop. The only meaningful advance in the sector was garnered by Phoenix, whose 0.5 stock was 9.9 per cent higher.

The service and trade group, by contrast, was slightly improved. The Israel Electric Corporation lit up the score board with a 16.9 per cent upward jump. Cold Storage 0.1 was up 10 per cent. Yavneh came through with a 10.4 per cent rise.

The Tech shares performed poorly, as the 1 stock was 8.6 per cent lower and the 5 issue tumbled to 10.2 per cent. Cal Computers rose by nearly 7 per cent while Nikuv

Computers 1 was dropped for a 10 per cent loss. Rapac 0.1 enjoyed speculative interest and the shares appreciated by nearly 15 per cent.

The land development, real estate and citrus plantation issues were generally lower as the sectoral index fell by 1.7 per cent. The Azorim options, early in the day, fell by 16.8 per cent, and during the afternoon trading session the Azorim ordinary shares were 9.7 per cent lower.

The Ben Yakar options slid 18 per cent lower and the shares eased by 6.3 per cent. Bayside 0.1 could not stand the recent price prosperity and absorbed a full 10 per cent loss.

Property and Building, the parent company, saw its shares trade unchanged. Other issues in the group were mixed, with prices moving narrowly within 5 per cent limits in either direction.

Industrial issues were only slightly lower. Elbit gained one point while Elron Electronics was unchanged. Alliance picked up 7.3 per cent. Arit was unchanged. Delta-Gal 1 was as 10 per cent gainer. Teva B was nearly 10 per cent lower.

Investment company issues were clearly lower. Amisbar backtracked by 9.4 per cent while Wolfson 0.1 was being dropped for a full 10 per cent loss. Central Trade was down by 5 per cent. Israel Corporation 1 stock lost 5.7 per cent as Piyron traded 5.9 per cent lower.

Oil issues also were down on the session.

Index-linked bond trading was quiet, but prices nevertheless continued to advance. The short term bonds were good movers with gains of 1-3 per cent visible. Gains of up to 3 per cent were to be noted in the 90 per cent linked group. The Gilboa dollar-linked issues were either unchanged or reflected small price changes in either direction.

The devaluation of the shekel was slowed somewhat, 42 agorot in relation to the dollar.

Building Resources announced that it was changing its name from Paul S. Goldschmidt Ltd.

The Israel General Bank Ltd. announced that it is preparing a new financing issue which will be carried out by way of a rights issue to existing shareholders. Furthermore, the bank announced that one of the companies in the Barco Edmond de Rothschild group will act as underwriter.

The American-Israel Paper Mills management announced that it is studying the possibility of adopting a steam producing machine which will be run on coal rather than oil. If the plan is carried out it will mean annual savings in energy costs of about \$3 million.

The Mukluk Well off the North Alaskan coast, in which British Petroleum has the largest stake, totalling nearly 40 per cent, was widely expected to be a major oil source in the 1990s. Analysts now say it may become a total writeoff.

Operating from a man-made "gravel" island constructed in the Beaufort Sea at a cost of \$130 million, prospectors began drilling on November 1 and yesterday reached the planned depth of 2,483 metres.

A spokesman for the Diamond Shamrock Corporation, which has a 10 per cent stake, said, "The well found hundreds of feet of oil-stained sands. However, there appears to have been no trap to hold the oil within the formation. The oil seems to have seeped out of Mukluk long, long ago."

Drilling will restart in two weeks' time to reach a possible secondary stratum at 2,900 metres. Depending on the results, further exploration may then be tried.

Commercial Banks

Closing price	Volume	Change	% change
81035	2	n.c.	
IDB B	3620	190	+5
IDB B r	3660	13	n.c.
IDB B r	22000	1	n.c.
IDB B r	2515	119	+35
Union 0.1	2120	169	+30
Discount A r	4740	48	+0.1
Discount A r	4635	40	+15
Discount A r	3570	37	n.c.
Discount B r	1490	157	n.c.
Mizrahi B	1490	71	n.c.
Mizrahi B r	2550	32	+40
Mizrahi B r	483	448	+23
Mizrahi B r	12700	1	n.c.
Mizrahi B r	381	58	+6
Maritime 0.1	224	1474	+12
Maritime 0.1	137	1474	+12
Hapoalim p	3150	1	-45
Hapoalim p	2460	4000	n.c.
Hapoalim p	2455	241	n.c.
Hapoalim p	4640	316	-17
Hapoalim p	4470	3	+1
General A	6200	31	n.c.
General A r	33000	1	-950
General A r	14000	5	-20
General A r	3900	9	-12
General A r	4765	1	n.c.
General A r	305	183	n.c.
Leumi 0.1	1582	1875	n.c.
Leumi 0.1	2510	32	+10
Leumi 0.1	2120	138	n.c.
Leumi 0.1	595	201	n.c.
Leumi 0.1	1140	11	-61
Leumi 0.1	2130	10	-10
Leumi 0.1	1115	7	+60
Leumi 0.1	1800	1	n.c.
Leumi 0.1	2872	53	n.c.
Leumi 0.1	1788	72	n.c.
Leumi 0.1	1030	90	n.c.
Leumi 0.1	109	141	+5
Leumi 0.1	278	301	-14
Leumi 0.1	301	338	-16
Leumi 0.1	274	1333	-10

Land, Real Estate, Citrus

Closing price	Volume	Change	% change
152	114	-4	-2.9
Bond Ware 0.5	96	15	+1.8
Yarden Hotel	71	331	+7.2
Yarden Hotel	66	235	+1.3
Yarden Hotel	35	40	n.c.
Nikuv 1.0	360	99	-10.0
Nikuv 1.0	149	168	+1.7
Nikuv 1.0	92	99	+7.9
Consort. Hold. 0.1	73	12	-6.0
Consort. 0.5	76	40	-2.3
Consort. 0.5	71	25	-11.3
Consort. 0.5	235	41	-4.0
Kopel 1	174	20	+16.7
Kopel 1	159	62	-7.4
Crystal 1	1085	1	+140
Rapac 0.5	38	10	+4.9
Superior 2	1410	9	+10
Superior 2	546	66	-2.5
Superior 2	268	1	-1
Superior 2	911	3	+20
Superior 2	801	10	n.c.

Mortgage Banks

Closing price	Volume	Change	% change
915	16	-10	-1.1
Gen. Mortgage	1366	5	n.c.
Gen. Mortgage	1357	4	-2
Gen. Mortgage	1575	1	n.c.
Gen. Mortgage	850	13	-51
Gen. Mortgage	145	362	-28
Gen. Mortgage	910	9	+10
Gen. Mortgage	940	1	+35
Gen. Mortgage	3665	12	+9.6
Gen. Mortgage	3645	1	n.c.
Gen. Mortgage	1500	24	-13
Gen. Mortgage	1420	1	-60
Gen. Mortgage	1390	12	-70
Gen. Mortgage	2400	1	-140
Gen. Mortgage	515	4	-17
Gen. Mortgage	181	985	-32
Gen. Mortgage	598	1	-8.6
Gen. Mortgage	298	38	-32
Gen. Mortgage	94	254	-11
Gen. Mortgage	225	673	n.c.

Financial Institutions

Closing price	Volume	Change	% change
136	260	-10	-6.9
Shilton 0.1	837	14	-3
Shilton 0.1	780	14	-3
Shilton 0.1	786	14	-3
Shilton 0.1	120	43	-10
Shilton 0.1	8500	1	+42
Shilton 0.1	7200	1	+200
Shilton 0.1	223	103	-10
Shilton 0.1	290	10	-62
Shilton 0.1	632	56	-10

Insurance

Closing price	Volume	Change	% change
348	46	-10	-2.8
Aryeh 0.1	3000	15	-10.8
Aryeh 0.1	420	23	+17
Aryeh 0.1	148	23	+17
Aryeh 0.1	508	1	-50.8
Aryeh 0.1	170	214	n.c.
Aryeh 0.1	103	434	n.c.
Aryeh 0.1	305	390	-19
Aryeh 0.1	205	10	-20
Aryeh 0.1	1366	10	-23
Aryeh 0.1	402	50	n.c.
Aryeh 0.1	398	14	n.c.
Aryeh 0.1	480	35	n.c.
Aryeh 0.1	279	29	-30
Aryeh 0.1	90	73	-5.3
Aryeh 0.1	80	80	-11.8
Aryeh 0.1	1010	10	+10
Aryeh 0.1	1300	14	n.c.
Aryeh 0.1	429	127	-14
Aryeh 0.1	1100	69	n.c.
Aryeh 0.1	133	46	n.c.

Trade, Services & Utilities

Closing price	Volume	Change	% change
320	60	+10	+3.2
Galei Zohar 1	1400	59	n.c.
Galei Zohar 1	84	112	-7.7
Galei Zohar 1	265	36	-2.2
Galei Zohar 1	1600	29	-25
Galei Zohar 1	170	150	-7
Galei Zohar 1	139	7	+5
Galei Zohar 1	40	35	n.c.
Galei Zohar 1	324	100	-23
Galei Zohar 1	205	258	-13
Galei Zohar 1	8330	1	-75.8
Galei Zohar 1	4070	5	n.c.
Galei Zohar 1	7300	5	+1054
Galei Zohar 1	532	47	-16
Galei Zohar 1	345	52	+2
Galei Zohar 1	279	114	+7
Galei Zohar 1	364	6	-1.5
Galei Zohar 1	500	1	n.c.
Galei Zohar 1	128	46	-12
Galei Zohar 1	74	36	-10.2
Galei Zohar 1	1484	50	+140
Galei Zohar 1	1080	400	+70
Galei Zohar 1	389	38	+25
Galei Zohar 1	1020	66	+88
Galei Zohar 1	340	19	n.c.
Galei Zohar 1	204	2	n.c.
Galei Zohar 1	135	98	-1
Galei Zohar 1	35	34	n.c.
Galei Zohar 1	348	4	-14
Galei Zohar 1	245	39	-10

Bank of Israel exchange rates

IS	US dollar	78.5276
IS	U.S. dollar	88.7361
IS	British sterling	80.4072
IS	German mark	17.5925
IS	French franc	50.5995
IS	Swiss franc	5.8994
IS	Japanese yen (100)	41.720
IS	Swedish krona	259.88
IS	Norwegian krone	18.09
IS	Danish krone	9.8735
IS	Finland mark	88.1743

New York Stock Exchange

NEW YORK. — The Dow Jones Industrial Index was little changed yesterday at 1269.31, down 1.22.

Volume was moderate at 90.16 million shares traded.

Diebold at 74.75, down 10, following IBM corp. announcement of a competing product in the automated teller machine market.

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Most active stocks

Symbol	Price	Volume	Change	% change
Hapoalim R	2460	98,419.7m	n.c.	
IDB	1582	50,318.7m	+5	
Leumi	1582	50,318.7m	+5	
Sharon	1582	50,318.7m	+5	
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Scourge of terrorism

THE MURDEROUS blowing up of a Jerusalem bus yesterday, for which the PLO has taken full responsibility, serves as a reminder that the struggle against the scourge of terrorism is going on, despite such successes as may have been scored in the war on the PLO in Lebanon.

There is good reason to believe that the perpetrators of the outrage will, sooner or later, be apprehended, and duly punished. This will not, however, eradicate the phenomenon of terrorism. Indeed, as military experts have repeatedly warned the nation, terrorism cannot easily be eradicated by strictly military means. What can be done is to minimize its incidence.

Proper vigilance by the security forces, and by the public at large, has in the past prevented many an incipient disaster. Yesterday's tragedy suggests that we have grown rather lax of late. Certainly tighter precautions in all places of public assembly are the order of the day.

At the same time it is to be hoped that this newest outrage will prove to all sides that the decades-long conflict can only be solved by political means and will not be taken as an invitation to stepped up Jewish settlement in the Israel-held areas. Any such response, designed to "show the Arabs" who is lord and master of all the Land, from the sea to the river, could only be counter-productive.

PLO hardens its line

IT WILL COME as a surprise to no-one that the PLO has come forward to claim responsibility for yesterday's outrage in Jerusalem. This follows a well established pattern, with the organization quick to claim credit for virtually any explosion or similar disaster in Israel — even when, in some cases, such disasters have plainly been the result of criminal, or purely accidental, causes. Another pattern followed yesterday was the PLO's claim that it had hit an "Israeli military bus," although many passengers on the regular Jerusalem Egged bus were women and children.

But what is worthy of note in yesterday's PLO announcement is that it was carried by the organization's Cyprus-based news agency WAFA — an outfit controlled, not by PLO radicals, but by Yasser Arafat's mainstayers.

This would appear to indicate that Arafat, while continuing to put out feelers to Jordan and toy with a political option, is prepared at the same time to "escalate the actions of the Palestinian Revolution against the Israeli occupiers," to quote yesterday's PLO communiqué.

The PLO leader has been under considerable pressure for some time to harden his line on Israel. His determination to resist such pressure all but led to his undoing at the hands of malcontents in his mainstream Fatah organization backed by two small radical PLO groups, Ahmed Jibril's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine — General Command and the Syrian-dominated Sa'ika.

What saved Arafat's skin, more than any single other factor, was the strong support for his continued leadership of the PLO that he received from the two largest groups making up the PLO after his own Fatah — George Habash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine and Nayef Hawatmeh's Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine.

And it has been plain for some time now that Arafat is going to have to honour in some way the very substantial political debt he owes to Habash and Hawatmeh, both of whom have been highly critical of the PLO chief's stress on diplomacy and backed the rebels' call for a more militant line on Israel — even though they dissociated themselves from the rebels' recourse to internecine blood-letting to achieve this end.

Could it be that yesterday's outrage in Jerusalem was just the first installment on Arafat's debt to these two — and the harbinger of a far more militant Arafat than Israel has had to contend with for some years?

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that all patients other than blast victims be referred to Hadassah Hospital, Ein Kerem. Two more lightly wounded people were admitted a little later, and we sent 12 people to Hadassah, among them one with serious head injuries and one with serious burns," Adler said.

"The serious cases were taken immediately to the intensive care unit. Most were suffering from severe burns of skin and respiratory system. Those with respiratory damage were placed in the respiratory intensive care unit and several others with burns were taken to plastic surgery," he said.

At Hadassah, the admissions procedure was equally smooth despite the many severely wounded among the 14 victims admitted. Of the two critically wounded patients transferred at the request of Shaare Zedek, one woman was suffering burns over 60 per cent of her body, the hospital spokeswoman said.

Social workers circulated in the hushed but busy emergency room. They had the initial task of notifying the families of the wounded, and later that of calming distraught relatives.

Assistant Shaare Zedek administrator Nahum Pessin noted that "unfortunately, this hospital has had lots of experience in receiving mass casualties." He pointed to a stand holding white aprons with large pockets stuffed with medical supplies. "Those are always ready, complete with scissors, bandages, tape and any other equipment a nurse might need in an emergency."

From her cot in the Shaare Zedek emergency room, Helen Bernstein, 77, described what she had experienced, sitting with her husband Shmuel, 78, in the seat behind the driver. "I saw people lying on the floor," she said in Yiddish. "People took me out of all the smoke: they put me and my husband into a taxi and took us straight to the hospital." She had cuts on her lips and hands, and a large gash on her knee. Her husband, a retired Rubin Academy music professor, was lying on the examination table in the same cubicle. His face was cut, as were his ankle and hands.

Upstairs, in the eighth-floor plastic surgery ward, Rena Schwartz, of Kiryat Yovel, told *The Post*: "I was lucky, all I have are burns on my legs. I was on the way home from the hairdresser in Baka, but I guess I won't make it to the wedding we were supposed to attend tonight."

Schwartz had been sitting three seats from the driver when the blast went off. "I lost consciousness, and when I opened my eyes, I couldn't move. The woman who had been sitting next to me was thrown on top of me. I waited until someone pulled me out and then I was taken to hospital in a private car."

Just then, a man rushed into the room, knelt by the bed and burst into tears. Schwartz's husband, Zigo, had looked for her first in Hadassah and then came to Shaare Zedek. "No one notified me Rena was hurt. I just had a terrible feeling. I knew," he said as he squeezed his wife's hand.

THE IDEA of signing a free trade agreement with the U.S. is not new. Since the early Seventies, when Israel signed a free trade agreement with the European Common Market, ministers and other government officials have dreamed about the seemingly endless possibilities offered by the huge American market.

Israeli industry had been hungry for new markets for a decade already, encouraged by economic decision-makers to increase exports and thus earn foreign currency. In fact, until 1982, exports rose an average of 15 per cent a year. Over the last eight years, Israel's sales abroad have increased fourfold.

As for this country's trade with the U.S., Israel exported goods worth \$300 million to the U.S. in 1975. Last year the figure was \$1.2 billion. Were a free trade agreement implemented, the figure could be \$4 billion, and it is easy to see why Israeli officials seek such an accord. The idea behind a free trade agreement in principle is simple. The signing parties undertake to abolish tariffs within a certain period of time for a defined range of goods. But there are dangers in basing hopes for a brighter future on such an agreement.

The U.S. has never signed a free trade agreement with any country in the world. American politicians are well aware of the interests of local producers, and it would be naive to think that these interests will not be taken into account during the com-

IN HIS article "On individual and mass terror" (*The Jerusalem Post*, November 30, 1983), Prof. Benjamin Akzin took issue with an earlier article of mine ("For the record," *The Jerusalem Post*, November 10, 1983). Without intending any disrespect to Professor Akzin, I would like to reply since he did question my political motives and reprimanded me, apparently believing me to be a lecturer in political science, for nevertheless condemning all forms of terror. "Dr. Rolef's central thesis was that there is no essential difference between individual and non-selective mass terrorism," he wrote.

That certainly was not the central thesis of my article, which attempted to set the record straight on what Yitzhak Shamir had said to whom and when on the subject of terror. (And to set the record straight, I formerly lectured in international relations at the Hebrew University.)

I stated that the distinction between indiscriminate terror and selective, controlled terror was not a valid one, because I simply do not believe that once terror is condoned in principle that anyone can keep it within strict bounds. I did not analyse the theoretical difference between personal and indiscriminate terror, of which I am perfectly aware.

There are many reasons why selective, controlled terror is an illusion, and I should like to mention just one.

Even though most terrorist organizations have a core of

A second look at free trade

By AVITEMKIN

ing negotiations between Israel and the Reagan Administration.

Officials at the Ministry of Industry and Trade concede that for more than two years, since Minister Gideon Patt first raised the idea of a free trade area agreement, the Americans have insisted on discretion. If politicians on both sides are now talking about a possible agreement, openly and loudly, it is because of President Reagan's public declaration in favour of such accord. But the Reagan Administration is now facing a particular political constellation, internally. This is an election year. Externally, the administration would like Israel to act in accordance with American needs in the Middle East. Should this constellation of political factors change, it is likely that the U.S. willingness to reach an early accord will be tempered by a more careful approach.

In addition, by insisting that a free trade agreement is the key to Israeli economic development, the

country's leaders could very well be giving Washington a new means of applying pressure in future political confrontations.

A FREE TRADE agreement with the U.S. could strengthen certain tendencies within the economy. To the extent that Israel's industry is geared to exports, it will be vulnerable to fluctuations in the international market.

In the future it may become increasingly difficult to redirect Israeli output should there be a contraction in the world market. Large-scale unemployment in such a case would not be a remote happening in Europe or the U.S. Any rise in the rate of jobless abroad would be translated into a similar development in Israel.

A point to be stressed is what free trade may mean in terms of increased competition on the local market from goods coming here. It will force local industry to concentrate on those areas in which it is competitive, and to close down lines

of production that are less profitable.

The industrialists and the authorities are aware of this development, but apparently have decided to take the risk involved. Some weeks ago Patt declared that the experience accumulated by Israeli industry will permit it to compete with foreign producers. Local industry will enter a new era, he said.

LOCAL INDUSTRIALISTS are somewhat more careful in their attitude. They maintain that while the idea of signing an agreement with the U.S. is basically a positive one, the exact wording of its clauses will be crucial. Among other things, the industrialists insist that the span of time for implementation should be long enough to give the Israeli producers the opportunity to make necessary adjustments in their production. This will probably entail a longer period of permitted tariffs for Israel than for the U.S. and carefully defined exception clauses that will take into consideration Israel's geopolitical position.

The Ministry for Industry and Trade for its part says that the agreement is a most desirable development. Israel is currently included among those countries enjoying tariff exemptions granted by the U.S. on a list of 2,500 goods under an agreement known as the General System of Preferences.

But the GSP is based on law that will have to be renewed in two

years, and there is no guarantee that American legislators will grant the same exemption.

The ministry also argued that GSP includes quantitative restrictions that put a brake on development of Israeli exports to the U.S. Thus if one country exports a certain article to the U.S. in amounts for more than 50 per cent of the total import of that article from the list, it is because of ruling that an Israeli innovation in laser technology lost its tariff exemption last year. An innovation by definition is exported only to the country that made it.

There is another factor that makes a free trade agreement with the U.S. desirable. In five years Israel will abolish its tariff on European goods. It will then in an almost impossible position vis-à-vis the U.S. Goods from 100 countries (on which there will be customs free, while there still be tariffs on American merchandise. Sooner or later Israel authorities will be forced to lower customs duties not on European goods, but also American ones.

In the final analysis, a free agreement with the U.S. is necessary, but careful consideration must be given to the dangers involved and to the time it will implement it.

The writer is the economic reporter of The Jerusalem Post.

The illusion of controlled terror

By SUSAN HATTIS ROLEF

idealists, who are frequently also men of high principles, very few (if any) of them have managed to maintain complete discipline within their ranks. Besides the idealists, some more intelligent and articulate than others, terrorist organizations tend to attract psychopaths, criminal elements and weaklings for whom the macho aspect of terrorism is more important than any other. The rank and file of terrorist organizations are thus frequently either incapable of or not interested in making intellectual distinctions, even if their leaders are, and as a result deviations are unavoidable.

A comparison between organizations that have chosen personal terror as their continuous means of struggle when other means were available, and those who plotted to assassinate Hitler (they had no additional such acts in mind) at a time when no other means were available to Germans to dispose of the Nazi monster, is preposterous.

I am perfectly well aware that it is not always easy to distinguish between personal terror and other forms of political assassination, which under certain rare circumstances may be morally condoned.

The plot to assassinate Hitler was certainly one of the latter kind. I reject the view that the assassination of Lord Moyne was anything but personal terror.

Professor Akzin's article insinuates that behind my article lies "the desire to induce or strengthen disapproval of the prime minister and to further the chances of his government falling." My political views are no secret. As an active member of the Labour Party, I would certainly be happy should Mr. Shamir become leader of the opposition, but there were no political motives behind my article, in which if anything I expressed appreciation for Shamir's intellectual honesty.

IN HIS article, Professor Akzin made an extraordinary statement: "The bombing of the King David Hotel in 1946 also might be considered an act of selective terror, though the purpose of that action was to destroy the enemy's headquarters without causing loss of life. As against this, civilian deaths in the course of battle, with Deir Yassin as an example, are deplorable incidents of warfare, to be avoided as much as possible, but unfortunately

occurring again and again, and not properly acts of terror."

The King David operation as originally planned by all parties concerned, and as approved by the Hagana, was intended to be a symbolic act in which few or no people would be killed, and was designed to show the British that it was possible to penetrate the centre of their nervous system.

The IZL decided to go ahead with the plan, after the Hagana had demanded that it be put off, at an hour different from that originally set, at an hour when the building was full of people. The act turned into one of indiscriminate terror.

True, there was a warning phone call. But even had the call reached someone with the authority to order immediate evacuation of the building (which it didn't) and even had there been an ordered evacuation, because of the size of the building many persons would have been trapped in the staircase. The death toll might have been even larger than it actually was.

Many of those killed were outside the hotel, and were hit by debris from the blast.

With regards to Deir Yassin, we know from eye witnesses — one of them was Meir Pa'il, who was sent by the Hagana to observe the fighting quality of the IZL and Lehi as a factor to be considered in the possible integration into the army of the future state — that the massacre took place after the fighting was over, and after a Hagana unit, which had been called in to silence Arab sources of fire, had departed.

I have seen the photographs taken at Deir Yassin and strongly advise anyone from refraining from talking of what went on there as a "deplorable incident of warfare." That is a deplorable euphemism for the worst act of indiscriminate terror performed by the dissidents.

The final point which I should like to make does not concern Prof. Akzin's article but some further information which I have gathered on the Shamir-Bethell episode. During a recent visit to London I had a long chat with Lord Bethell who was totally unaware of the commotion which his article had caused in Israel.

He explained to me that his own article on Moyne had been

motivated by a news item in *Times* that had quoted Shamir's quotation of what he had said about Lord Moyne in his book *Palestine Triangle*. As a result Bethell faced a barrage of calls asking him how he could possibly support the assassination of Lord Moyne, which was the action which seemed to emerge what Shamir had told Nakhla his *Yedioth Aharanot* interview, October 14.

What Bethell had in fact in his book (to complete the picture) was as follows:

"Moyne had earned the titular dislike of Jewish militia had been colonial secretary the ill-fated *Struma* reached but and, though they could sure of this, had urged the *Turn it back into the Black Sea* June 9, 1942, while briefly out government, he had said 'House of Lords: The Zionist has raised two main issues: the demand for large-scale immigration into an already over-crowded country; secondly, racial discrimination by these newcomers or original inhabitants.' He has observed that most Ashkenazim were racially mixed and that scale Jewish immigration Palestine was an impractical dream. Zionists took great care at his words. They also blame personally for Britain's failure to rescue European Jewry and apocryphal (having no author — SHR) remark: 'What would with a million Jews?' In Israeli literature he is frequently described as a war criminal anti-Semite." He then went on to quote Yalin-Mor on why he was chosen as a target and Churchill who was out of place reach.

Bethell is, in fact, opposed to terror, against which he speaks acts within the framework of European Parliament. In Foreign Office circles regarded as pro-Israeli — since article appeared in *The Times* been regarded by some Israeli officials as an enemy. I know Bethell as a sincere friend of and an active supporter of the gle for Soviet Jewry.

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READERS' LETTERS

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*: Sir, — Macabee Dean sees in a high degree of unemployment a panacea for at least part of our economic troubles ("Necessity of unemployment" — November 17).

As a student in the twenties in Germany, I saw the misery of hundreds of able-bodied men queuing up before the labour exchange and being sent away day after day empty-handed and living on a miserable dole. As a result, I reached the conclusion that, excepting war and pestilence, mass unemployment is the greatest disaster possible.

Does Mr. Dean think of the situation of a father sitting at home, humiliated before his wife and children for being cast away from the world of labour as redundant? Does he think of the returning soldiers who will be denied the right to work, and of the young thrown on the streets, idle and *naïves* before an easy prey to lawlessness? After all, the Nazi party's storm troopers and SS men were mainly recruited from this class of idle unemployed.

I cannot even think of a situation of mass unemployment in our country without shuddering at the possible consequences of such a social disaster.

MORDECHAI NOY
Ramat Gan.

Sir, — Macabee Dean repeats the widespread misconception that "the average Israeli worker in production has an output much lower than that of most of his contemporaries in the West." The output of a worker is not determined so much by the amount of coffee-breaks he takes, but by the efficiency of the machinery at his disposal. On the average, the Israeli industry does not lag behind the West in terms of modern equipment and automation. The main reason for statistical data on lower output per worker is based on the fact that the Israeli worker spends between 10 and 15 per cent of his time performing reserve duty in the army.

The other misconception of Mr. Dean is considering the entire service sector as "unproductive." The service sector serving tourism (hotels, restaurants, shops, entertainment, touring services, etc.) brings in more net dollars than any branch of industry or agriculture. While it is true that the bloated bureaucracy should be drastically reduced, one should not lose sight

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of the fact that the entire West is now entering a post-industrial era, in which progress manifests itself in the growth of the service sector at the expense of industrial manpower.

DR. JACOB ROSIN
Netanya.

Macabee Dean comments: We all agree, I hope, on several things: there can be no greater humiliation for an able-bodied man, who can work and wants to work, than not being able to find work. But terrible as unemployment may be, there are degrees. Mild unemployment is preferable to massive unemployment. And if the present dilapidated economic structure is not altered through mild unemployment, then massive unemployment is inevitable.

In answer to Mordechai Noy, I wish to stress that nowhere in my article did I recommend mass unemployment. But even if it does develop, there is no reason why it should lead to a Nazi-like movement. At least things developed differently in the U.S., England, etc., where unemployment was also rife at the same period. (The fear in Israel is that it may lead to emigration and a huge drop in immigration.)

As to Dr. Jacob Rosin's letter, according to the Productivity Institute, the average Israeli worker produces (and also gets paid) about half of his contemporary in the West. One reason is reserve duty, but other very important factors are: lack of a work ethic; failure to work a second shift; absenteeism; bad management; poor physical facilities; a month of paid sick leave which many exploit unnecessarily; numerous Jewish holidays and preparing for, and resting up after these holidays; and a faulty in-

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rastructure (roads, telephones, delivery of supplies), and so on. With the exception of reserve duty, all other factors can be improved considerably.

Tourism is certainly a prime foreign currency earner, and this service is fighting for full recognition as a "productive" sector. Another service which could become a foreign currency earner is medicine, for the facilities and specialists certainly exist in Israel. A strict differentiation must be made between types of services; my reference was to the clerks who shuffle papers around.

He explained to me that his own article on Moyne had been

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